

Tuscany Trip Details and Highlights

A New and Exciting Element: An Exclusive Tuscany Tour with Troy B. Marden – A Garden Lover’s Dream!

We are thrilled to announce an extraordinary opportunity for all garden enthusiasts! Join us on the **Gardens & Villas of Tuscany** tour, an unforgettable journey through the heart of Italy’s most picturesque landscapes. Led by the renowned horticulturist Troy B. Marden, this exclusive trip promises a delightful blend of history, art, and natural beauty. Troy is a native of Riley, KS who now offers opportunities for small group tours of gardens all over the world!

Trip Details:

- Dates: October 23 to November 3, 2024
- Cost: \$7,500 per person (airfare not included)
- Minimum Participants: To ensure this remarkable experience, all 8 slots must be purchased.
- Private tour with Troy as the guide, your own driver and daily breakfast etc.
- For full details please go to the K-State Gardens website: ksugardens@k-state.edu

Highlights:

- Charming Cities: Explore the enchanting cities of Florence, Lucca, Cortona, Grosseto, and Rome. Immerse yourself in their rich cultural heritage and vibrant atmosphere.
- Luxurious Accommodations: Enjoy two nights in each city, staying at carefully selected 4-star or better hotels. Comfort and elegance await you.
- Historic Medici Villas: Step back in time as we visit Medici villas dating back to the Renaissance. Discover their lush gardens and captivating stories.
- Michelangelo’s David: Witness the awe-inspiring sculpture of Michelangelo’s David at the Galleria dell’Accademia in Florence.
- Via Crucis: Walk the Via Crucis (Stations of the Cross) and reflect on its spiritual significance.
- Ancient Rome: Visit Rome’s iconic landmarks, including the Colosseum, Pantheon, and Roman Forum.
- Chianti Wine Region: Venture into the scenic Chianti region of Tuscany for a delightful winery tour. Savor the flavors of local wines.
- Napoleon’s Sister’s Home: Discover the fascinating history behind Napoleon’s sister’s residence in Tuscany.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to explore Italy’s treasures alongside one of the world’s premier garden experts. Your support directly benefits the Kansas State University Gardens, ensuring their continued growth and beauty.

Reserve Your Spot: Don’t miss out! Secure your place by registering at: auctria.events/KSUGardenItaly
Limited to 8 slots and all 8 slots must be sold to make the trip.

Let’s create lasting memories amidst Tuscany’s breathtaking landscapes!

If you have any questions about this event please contact the organizer for **Kansas State University Gardens** at wwcole33@ksu.edu.

